REVENUE AND FINANCE

Private Documents.

329. Private documents numbering 2,82,798 were impressed with stamps of the aggregate value of Rs. 3,16,461-28 (1,96,993 documents of the value of Rs. 3,66,684-81), showing an increase of 85,805 in number and a decrease of Rs. 50,223-53 in value.

Stamp Revenue and Expenditure.

330. The total gross revenue from Stamps under all heads amounted to Rs. 1,10,31,931-70 during the year (including the integrated areas). A sum of Rs. 9,09,956-8 was deducted as refunds made under the Stamp Act and Rules, of the value of stamps spoiled, rendered useless, etc., as also under the Court Fees Act, of the value of spoiled stamps and rebates, relief, etc., and adjustments on account of duty collected in the shape of stamps while registering instruments of transfers of immoveable properties situated within the limits of corporation or municipalities in the State.

Institution Fees in Pauper Suits.

331. The amounts outstanding at the beginning of the year under this head was Rs. 3,09,894. A sum of Rs. 62,770 was awarded as fees by the several sub-courts during the year bringing the total to Rs. 3,72,664.

Prosecutions.

332. No prosecution for the evasion of Stamp Duty under the provisions of the Mysore Stamp Act was instituted during the year.

(v) Registration Department.

333. In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 78 of the Indian Registration Act, 1908, (Central Act XVI of 1908), the following amendments to the existing table of fees as notified in Notification No. S.R. 8662—Regis—28-53-2, dated 23rd March 1954, were issued during the year :—

(i) Grant of full exemption of registration fees for registration of mortgage deeds to be executed in favour of the State Government by the purchasers of the privilege of retail vend of excisable articles under the Mysore Excise Act, 1901.

(ii) Levy of a fixed fee of Rs. 5 on Mortgage Bond executed in favour of Bank by proprietary firms and partnership firms to raise loans for the promotion of the business carried on by such firms.

(iii) Grant of full exemption for instruments of gifts, settlement or trust or any transfer of property executed in

favour of State Government or any Department of the State Government.

(iv) Grant of full exemption for the general search made in respect of encumbrance certificate granted for obtaining takavi loans up to Rs. 500.

(v) Grant of full exemption of search fees and registration fees for issue of encumbrance certificates required by Rural Industrial Co-operative Societies in the Mysore Area, started under the Mysore Government Rural Industrialisation Scheme, and for registration of Instruments executed by or on behalf of such societies or by an officer or member of such societies relating to the business of the societies.

Number of Sub-Registry Offices in the New Mysore State.

334. There are 19 District Registry offices in the New State. The total number of Special and Ex-officio Sub-Registry offices in the New Mysore State during the year was 175 of which 153 Special and 22 Ex-officio offices.

Registration

335. The total number of documents registered during the year (including Yalandur Jahagir) was 3,15,236, of these 2,82,888 being compulsory registrable and 25,014 being optionally registrable. Of the rest, 5,117 related to moveable property, 2,146 wills and 71 authorities to adopt.

Aggregate value of registered transactions

336. The aggregate value of all kinds of documents registered during the year amounted to Rs. 27,48,70,009-80.

Receipts and Expenditure

337. The receipts and expenditure of the Department were Rs. 17,97,723-19 and Rs. 7,53,755-60 respectively.

Appeal cases

338. Out of 116 appeal cases, 65 were disposed of leaving a balance of 51 at the end of the year.

Exemption from payment of Registration Fees

339. The total registration fee forgone by several concessions granted by Government to Co-operative Institutions, Land Mortgage Banks and other Institutions from payment of registration fees either in full or in part, amounted to Rs. 4,99,933 (Rs. 3,56,891). These figures related to the Old Mysore Area as there was no such record kept in some of the other integrated areas.

Administration of Indian Partnership Act.

340. The total number of applications received during the year for registration and filing, etc., was 1,736, of which 76 applications under Section 60 (1), 60 (2), 63 (1) and 63 (2) of the Indian Partnership Act 1932 were filed and 405 firms were registered. Sixty certified copies were granted. The number of searches made was 8. The